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SUBJECT: REPORTED LIBYAN WITHDRAWAL FROM CHAD

REF: NDJAMENA 3508

1. REPORTS CONTAINED PARA 1, NDJAMENA 3508, REGARDING
LIBYAN REINFORCEMENTS BEING ENROUTE TO PROBLEM AREAS IN
NORTHERN CHAD APPEAR TO CONFLICT WITH EVIDENCE FROM INTEL-
LIGENCE SOURCES WHICH INDICATE THAT LIBYANS HAVE ORDERED,
AND MAY HAVE COMMENCED, WITHDRAWAL FROM CHAD.

2. FOR PARIS: ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TAKE
FIRST AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY TO APPROACH QUAI AT WHATEVER
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LEVEL IT CONSIDERS MOST APPROPRIATE AND ORALLY PASS FOL-
LOWING MESSAGE TO FRENCH WITHOUT ELABORATION: QUOTE: WE
HAVE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM INTELLIGENCE SOURCES THAT WE
BELIEVE TO BE VERY RELIABLE INDICATING THAT THE LIBYANS
ORDERED THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL OF THEIR FORCES FROM CHAD IN
EARLY SEPTEMBER. THESE SOURCES SUGGEST THAT THIS WITH-
DRAWAL WAS REQUESTED BY ELEMENTS OF FROLINAT---THOUGH NOT

NECESSARILY BY REBEL LEADER GOUKOUNI HIMSELF. IN ANY EVENT
WE BELIEVE GOUKOUNI WAS AWARE OF THE DECISION TO WITHDRAW.
UNQUOTE.

3. FOR NDJAMENA: DEPARTMENT WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO
AMBASSADOR SHARING THIS INFORMATION WITH FRENCH AMBASSADOR,
IN THE SAME FASHION.

4. WE WOULD OF COURSE APPRECIATE ANY CONFIRMATION OF
FOREGOING WHICH FRENCH MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THROUGH
THEIR OWN RESOURCES, OR ANY OTHER COMMENT THEY MIGHT
WISH TO MAKE.

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